

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1129**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Mountjoy**

February 22, 2005

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An act to amend Section 9022 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1129, as introduced, Mountjoy. Elections.

Existing law requires that persons who circulate initiative and referendum petitions be voters or be qualified to register to vote in the state and requires each of those persons to certify, with his or her signature, to the content, truth, and correctness of the declaration that is required to be attached to each section of the petition.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision of law.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1     SECTION 1. Section 9022 of the Elections Code is amended  
2     to read:  
3     9022. (a) Each section *of the petition* shall have attached  
4     thereto the declaration of the person soliciting the signatures  
5     setting forth the information required by Section 104 and stating  
6     that the circulator is a voter or is qualified to register to vote in  
7     the state.  
8     (b) The circulator shall certify to the content of the declaration  
9     as to its truth and correctness, under penalty of perjury under the

1 laws of the State of California, with the signature of his or her  
2 name at length, including given name and middle name or initial.  
3 The circulator shall state the date and the place of execution on  
4 the declaration immediately preceding his or her signature.  
5 (c) Another declaration thereto may not be required.  
6 (d) Petitions so verified shall be prima facie evidence that the  
7 signatures thereon are genuine and that the persons signing are  
8 qualified voters. Unless and until otherwise proven upon official  
9 investigation, it shall be presumed that the petition presented  
10 contains the signatures of the requisite number of qualified  
11 voters.